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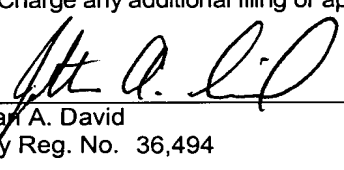
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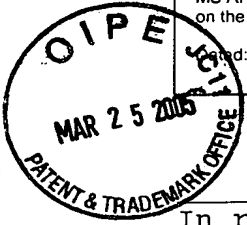
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-3 and 5-11, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: